

CREATING COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS

The cities of Alpharetta, Johns Creek, Milton and Roswell, along with the Ed Isakson/Alpharetta Family YMCA, offer multiple offerings for residents with special needs.

All community members can take part in these programs – no matter which North Fulton City you reside in.

Read below to see what each city offers – some services may incur out of city fees.



#### North Fulton Special Needs Field Day

Alpharetta will host North Fulton Special Needs Field Day from 10 a.m.—1 p.m. on October 2. This fun event will take place on the Event Lawn behind Alpharetta Community Center.

## Adaptive Art Programs

**Andy Warhol Pop Art** (with Vivian Gesuldi): Saturdays, Oct. 2–23 from 9 to 10 a.m. **Adaptive Art/Mixed Media** (with Lionheart): Thursdays, Sept. 16–Oct. 21 from 4 to 5 p.m.

## Camp Happy Hearts

Registration opens in February for the 2022 edition of Camp Happy Hearts. This fun summer day camp is for children ages 6–12 with special needs who have sufficient skills to engage appropriately with a group of children in activities consistent with program goals.



# Johns Creek

North Fulton United (NFU) is a unified soccer league based in Johns Creek. Unified sports team athletes with disabilities with non-disabled peers. In its third season, the league has over 100 athletes and unified partners. For more info, visit: www.northfultonunited.org.

And visit www.JohnsCreekGA.gov to learn about the City of Johns Creek's Adaptive Recreation Programs and Events.



## Camp Joyful Soles

Those wishing to register for Camp Joyful Soles in summer 2022 can do so starting in January. Camp Joyful Soles is Milton's summer day camp for children with special needs, aged 13–22. This small, specialized camp is limited to just 25 participants each week and includes: arts and crafts, games, music, art and drama therapy, special guests, field trips and swimming once a week. For info, visit www.cityofmiltonga.us/government/parks-rec/camp-joyful-soles.

## Village Volunteers

The Village Volunteers is a volunteer social activities group serving adults with disabilities that have aged out of the public school system. The group typically meets every Monday at Bethwell Community Center from noon to 2 p.m. COVID-19 has relocated Village Volunteers to virtual meetings. Activities include cooking and art projects along with an outing into the community once a month.

Parents or caretakers must accompany the member. This activities group is solely supported by local volunteers. Space is limited. For more info, email Villagevolunteers@yahoo.com For more, visit: www.cityofmiltonga.us/residents/special-needs-resources/



# Roswell

The City of Roswell is offering virtual and in-person events for the special needs community this summer. For more on all the programs below, go to www.roswellgov.com/adaptive.

#### Virtual programs:

Travel Tuesday: Tuesdays, 1 p.m.

Games (Bingo, Pictionary, trivia, charades etc.): Thursdays, 2 p.m.

## In person activities:

Adaptive aquatic fun and fit: Thursdays, 6–7 p.m. Adaptive baseball: Saturdays, 9:30–10:30 a.m.

**Adaptive bocce**: Thursdays, 6–7:30 p.m. **Adaptive yoga**: Tuesdays, 6–7 p.m.

**Monthly themed dances**: Wednesdays, 6–8 p.m. **Movement and music**: Thursdays 2:30–3:30 p.m.

Movie Nights: Wednesdays, 6–8 p.m.

**Adaptive Thanksgiving Break Friendship Camp**: Monday–Wednesday (Nov. 22–24), 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Visit www.socialskillstoday.com for more information.



Adaptive Fitness Classes for Teens and Young Adults with special needs are held at the Alpharetta YMCA on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons. Please contact Karen Wise krwise1@comcast.net for details.